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REPORT.

The Selectmen charge themselves with Cash

Received, as follows:

To Cash in the Treasury, March 1st, 1876,	\$2,300 51
“ received of Belknap County,	378 87
“ “ E. Moorhouse, Collector, 1875,	618 72
“ “ Railroad Tax,	210 67
“ “ Savings Bank Tax,	900 93
“ “ Literary Fund,	82 35
“ “ Win. M. Co., E. Hill, assignee,	1 46
“ “ Town of Belmont on Union Bridge,	2 50
“ “ S. J. Tilton, Collector, 1874,	130 00
“ Amount of Taxes committed to Col., 1876,	7,537 78
To Cash borrowed,	319 83
“ Bonds sold,	16,000 00
Accrued interest on Bonds,	254 77
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	\$28,738 39

Which is accounted for as follows:

Paid Out-standing Bills.

By paid Auditor's bill,	6 00
" B. F. Cass, use of Watering trough,	3 00
" E. G. Smith, express on County reports,	25
" Horace Sanborn on road,	16 75
" C. B. Garmon, Selectman, 1875,	10 00
" " Selectmen's board,	15 00
" " Repaired Mrs. Davis' Wagon,	1 00
" H. Q. Dalton, Selectman, 1875,	10 00
" A. H. Jones, " "	11 00
" N. A. Philbrook, on road,	35 27
" J. P. Dearborn, Sup. School Com., 1875,	35 00
" George Holmes, breaking roads,	33 00
" Geo. W. Baker, for town reports,	34 00
" Mary J. Davis, damage to person,	14 50
" J. March, Land Damage,	5 00
" B. P. Simonds, for Plank,	4 80
" B. T. Brown, on road,	22 25
" L. Conant, " "	3 50
" Expense on Farrington v. Tilton,	76 00
" Pike & Blodgett in Bond suit, 1874,	125 00
" " Baker suit, 1875,	100 00
" Eastman, Page & Albin in Baker suit, 1874,	130 00
" Town of Franklin for Conant boy,	12 00
" Town of Sanbornton, old claim,	5 50
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	\$708 82
By paid on Notes,	\$17,676 68
By paid interest on Bonds,	\$480 00

Damage done Sheep by Dogs.

By paid A. F. Clark,	\$40 00
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By Paid B. F. Cass,	10 00
“ H. Q. Dalton,	8 00
“ Samuel Page,	12 00
“ J. C. Sanborn,	8 00
“ J. H. Philbrick,	11 00
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	\$89 00

Paid the Several School Districts.

By paid A. S. Ballantyne, Union District,	\$284 02
“ C. C. Rogers, “ “	190 00
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	\$474 02
“ W. J. Durgin, District No. 1,	\$108 82
“ D. C. Wyatt, “ “ 4,	229 69
“ A. J. Crockett, “ “ 5,	54 31
“ R. C. Bixby, “ “ 7,	96 00
“ A. G. Sargent, “ “ 16,	135 06
“ C. H. Jaques, “ “ 18,	85 04
“ D. Jacobs, No. 2 in Sanbornton,	1 61
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	\$1,184 55

Paid the Several Religious Societies.

By paid T. W. Long, First Methodist,	\$19 08
“ H. Q. Dalton, Second Methodist,	11 30
“ D. S. Clay, Second Congregational,	28 10
“ J. F. Taylor, Episcopal,	17 45
“ B. W. Brown, Free Baptist,	12 60
“ N. Sanborn, First Congregational,	5 50
“ E. L. Sanborn, Baptist,	96
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	\$94 99

Paid on Roads and Bridges.

By paid B. T. Brown, land damage,	\$400 00
" George Holmes, breaking road,	75 00
" Charles W. Colby, on road,	24 24
" Horace Sanborn, "	20 67
" N. A. Philbrook, "	44 10
" J. B. Sanborn, "	18 22
" C. N. Huckins, lumber,	36 35
" A. J. Clark, labor on road,	44 52
" C. C. Taylor, spikes, &c., on Union Bridge,	2 72
" J. E. Page, labor on "	7 50
" E. M. Philbrook, on "	3 75
" A. J. Small, on "	2 50
" B. W. Brown, for lumber,	93 38
" George Holmes, labor,	34 05
" George Holmes, for scraper,	9 00
" B. T. Brown, for plank,	53 93
" N. Seavey, breaking roads,	17 03
" C. Marshal Taylor, " "	27 76
" Orin N. Clark, " "	29 17
" B. W. Brown, plank and labor,	19 68
" Non. Res. Highway tax,	2 87
" H. Q. Dalton, labor on road and bridge,	22 50
" B. M. Durgin, labor on road,	9 80
" J. S. Robinson, breaking road,	10 30
" C. B. Garmon, bolts and labor on bridge,	4 00

Paid the Several Religious Societies. \$1013, 04

Paid for Support of Poor.

By paid A. Elliott, for John Wells,	\$7 42
" E. Hill, for Betsey Sanborn,	9 00
" Philbrick & Hill, for J. Wells,	6 00
" State Reform School, for Fred. Shaw,	26 00
" " " F. A. Reed,	26 00

By paid State Reform School for Solon McKenney,	26 00
" Philbrick & Hill, Semino family,	6 45
" State Reform School, for Fred. Shaw,	26 00
" " " F. A. Reed,	26 00
" " " Solon McKenney,	26 00
" " " Cassius Rowell,	21 71
" F. L. Mason, for O. Stewart,	6 25
" State Reform School, for Fred Shaw,	26 00
" " " F. A. Reed,	26 00
" " " Solon McKenney,	26 00
" " " Cassius Rowell,	26 00
" C. B. Garmon, for transient paupers,	24 50
" C. C. Taylor, for Demick boy,	2 50
" Chase Rollins,	76
" State Reform School, for Fred Shaw,	26 00
" " " F. A. Reed,	26 00
" " " Solon McKenney,	26 00
" " " Cassius Rowell,	26 00
" C. B. Garmon, for Mrs. Bishop,	1 50
" " " Alice Bunker,	12 00
" Dalton & Bennett, transient paupers,	27 00
" Geo. J. Johnson, for Conant boy,	66 00
" H. Q. Dalton, clothing for Conant boy,	6 00
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	\$561 09

Paid Current Expenses.

By paid B. W. Sanborn & Co., stationery,	\$14 05
" Peter Copp, sawing wood, &c.,	1 00
" Philbrick & Hill, for Wood,	6 00
" A. G. Sargent, Policeman,	2 00
" Peter Copp, Watching Bridge,	2 00
" R. Reed, " "	4 00
" Geo. W. Baker, printing bonds,	23 00
" " " tax receipts,	3 25
" " " handbills, July 4,	1 50

By paid A. C. Lord, damage to wagon,	3 35
" S. H. Williams, check lists,	1 15
" County Tax,	1,482 57
" State Tax,	1,028 00
" John Curry, rent of land for Lobby,	10 00
" C. B. Garmon, Selectmen's board,	25 25
" A. G. Sargent, Constable,	2 00
" W. P. & J. Hill, rent of office and hall,	85 00
" Peter Copp, sawing wood, &c.,	1 00
" E. O. Downing, damage to sleigh,	5 00
" S. H. Williams, services as Town Clerk,	55 00
" " for Indexes,	1 24
" W. C. Mudgett, for Watering Trough,	3 00
" W. P. Lang, Policeman,	12 50
" A. H. Jones, as Selectman,	114 50
" " Overseer of Poor,	13 00
" " Treasurer,	40 00
" " Cash paid out,	10 47
" " Horse and Carriage out of town,	9 75
" Charles B. Garmon, service as Selectman,	60 00
" " Overseer of Poor,	7 00
" " Policeman,	10 00
" Henry Q. Dalton, service as Selectman,	81 00
" " Overseer of Poor,	5 00
" " Horse and Carriage out of town,	4 00
" " Cash paid out,	5 15
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	\$3,131 73

Recapitulation.

To Cash and Tax List,	\$12,163 79
Cash borrowed,	319 83
Amount of Bonds sold, and interest,	16,254 77
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	\$28,738 39

Accounted for, as follows:

By paid Outstanding bills,	\$708 82
“ On Notes,	17,676 68
“ Interest on Bonds,	480 00
“ Damage to Sheep by Dogs,	89 00
“ The Several School Districts,	1,184 55
“ The Several Religious Societies,	94 99
“ On Roads and Bridges,	1,013 04
“ For Support of Poor,	561 09
“ Current Expenses,	3,131 73
“ Abatement of Taxes, 1876,	37 71
“ Taxes uncollected, 1876,	2,182 00
“ Cash in the Treasury,	1,578 78
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	\$28,738 39

Respectfully submitted,

AMOS H. JONES,	}	<i>Selectmen of Tilton.</i>
CHARLES B. GARMON,		
HENRY Q. DALTON,		

Having examined the foregoing accounts, we find them properly vouched and correctly cast.

ADDISON B. WYATT,	}	<i>Auditors.</i>
CHARLES C. ROGERS,		
JOSEPH P. DEARBORN.		

Town Debts.

Notes and interest to March 1, 1877,	\$13,382 89
Bonds and interest to March 1, 1877,	16,240 00
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	\$29,622 89

Assets.

Railroad Stock—21 shares,	\$210 00
Uncollected Taxes, 1874,	319 32
“ “ 1875,	451 02
“ “ 1876,	2,182 00
Cash in the Treasury,	1,578 78
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	\$4,741 12
Net indebtedness,	\$24,881 77
School and Parsonage Fund Note,	\$3,166 35

REPORT OF School Committee.

The School Committee of Tilton submit the following report upon the condition and progress of the Public Schools for the year ending March, 1877.

DISTRICT No. 1.

Summer term of nine weeks by Miss Eva R. Spofford. Whole number of scholars 10; average attendance 9 1-4. This teacher gave good satisfaction to the Committee and the District by her pleasant and mild disposition, which seemed to be so much appreciated by the scholars that the success of this teacher could not be otherwise than good. She had such a claim to the good will of the scholars that it seemed their delight to grant her every request that she made. Such a teacher cannot fail to be popular in any school.

Fall term of ten weeks by same teacher. Whole number of scholars 14; average attendance 11. In this term she fully maintained her former reputation as a teacher.

DISTRICT No. 4.

Summer term by Miss Clara R. Thorpe. Whole number of scholars 24; average attendance 20. This teacher labored with great zeal for the welfare and progress of her pupils. Commendable progress was made. Fall term by same teacher. Whole number of scholars 21; average attendance 18. This teacher is quick and accurate in her movements. She takes an idea quick, which she is ready to explain to her scholars.

She is perfectly at home in the school room and will succeed every time.

Winter term by Miss Cynthia E. Mathes. Whole number of scholars 17; average attendance 15 1-2. Of this school I have but little to say, but feel compelled to make a few remarks. I do think in a school of only seventeen different scholars they should all read and spell at least once in a day. But what was wanting in instruction she could make up in partiality, which exceeded any teacher that ever came under my observation.

When the scholars have a recess of forty-five minutes altogether, and then go home without reading, it does not generally give the best satisfaction.

DISTRICT No. 7.

Summer and Fall terms by Miss Maria L. Lane. Summer term of eight weeks; whole number of scholars 16; average attendance 14. Fall term of nine weeks by same teacher, with same number of scholars. Decided improvement, with good order. This teacher is so well known and has become so popular that it seems hardly necessary to add a word to her praise, which the people of this district seem to appreciate by retaining her in this school year after year.

DISTRICT No. 16.

Summer term of eight weeks by Miss Roxie B. Shepard. Whole number of scholars 30; average attendance 27. This teacher seemed to have some excellent ideas of teaching which were used to a very good advantage. Progress very good. Perhaps a little more strict discipline would be beneficial.

Fall term of eleven weeks by Miss Alice E. Freese. Whole number of scholars 39; average attendance 34. This teacher is the right person in the right place. She is well adapted to govern and instruct. She is perfectly at home in the school room with the largest number of scholars of any district in town, which she manages with ease and seems to attend to the wants of all.

DISTRICT No. 18.

Fall term of six weeks by Miss Ella G. Chandler. Whole number of scholars 13; average attendance 11 1-2. This term being so short after so long a vacation, we could hardly expect the ordinary improvements, but the school appeared very well.

Winter term of eleven weeks by Mr. Frank A. Durgin. Whole number of scholars 21; average attendance 17. This teacher fully maintains his former reputation as a teacher, which is shown to the careful observer in the school room by his government and method of instruction. He still maintains that easy communication with his scholars which is sure to make a teacher successful.

We have had no particular outbreak in our schools the past year; nothing but what I think that the Union will still survive, and we shall go along as a nation for all that has taken place in our schools. But I will say that some of our schools have been all that we could reasonably ask, while some others have been equally as far the other way.

In examining the registers I find where the teachers have had the greatest success is where the most free intercourse has been between the parents and teacher. There is one remark that I am sorry to make but still do it with all good feeling and hope that I shall be pardoned for the same, that is, that the registers show but one solitary visit from the Prudential Committees in the whole town the last year, an instance that I hope that no Committee will ever have again to record. We send our children to school a whole term of ten or twelve weeks without ever going to the school room to see how they are taught, or why they are taught this or that theory. No business man would think of leaving his store or his shop that length of time without giving it his personal attention. No farmer would think of trusting his stock that length of time to a hired man. Then are not our children, our own offspring, of as much importance as our stock or shops? It seems to me to be more a matter of carelessness than any other reason, for I cannot think people are so negligent of the welfare of their children if it were not for carelessness.

When we realize that a community are, to a great extent, industrious and happy as they are educated ; when we see that all our happiness, that all our great name as American citizens, rest upon our universal system of education ; when we realize the difference between our citizens in our free form of Government and those of Monarchial and Despotic forms of Government ; where do we trace the first step towards our free and enlightened institutions ? It is to be found in our free schools in our system of universal education.

Now in conclusion let me say to each parent to come to the determination to make at least two visits to each term of school the ensuing year.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Number of District.	Amount of School Money.	Number of Scholars over four years attending not less than two weeks.		Length of School in weeks.		Wages per month.	
		SUMMER.	WINTER.	SUMMER.	WINTER.	SUMMER.	WINTER.
1	\$108.82	10	14	9	11	\$20	\$20
4	229.69	24	17	10	10	30	30
7	96.00	16	16	8	9	24	24
16	135.06	30	39	8	11	27	28
18	85.04	13	21	6	11	22	

JOSEPH P. DEARBORN,

Committee.

REPORT OF THE

BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR UNION DISTRICT.

The past year has been an era of marked improvement and success in the schools in this District.

The Grammar School has had three terms of 31 weeks in all.

The first term of ten weeks was under the care of Miss Ella McDaniel.

Her experience and training fitted her admirably for this situation.

Unfortunately we were unable to retain her services longer.

The other terms, one of eight and one of thirteen weeks, were under the instruction of Miss Ellen F. Goodwin who had formerly occupied the same position.

She brought into use her accustomed spirit and energy, laboring assiduously for the good of those under her control.

The success was marked and in every way satisfactory.

The Primary department has had three terms of 32 weeks in all, under the tuition of the former excellent teacher, Miss L. A. Chase.

It is needless to comment on this school—it has been a success.

It was gratifying on the part of the Members of the Board to observe the interest exhibited by the citizens in their attendance on the closing examinations.

More frequent visits of the kind would cheer up, in their labors, the teachers, the scholars and the officers.

Table of Statistics

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GRAMMAR DEPARTMENT

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Whole Number of Scholars,	25	28	28
Average Attendance,	19	26	24
Number in Reading,	25	23	23
Number in Spelling,	25	28	28
Number in Writing,	24	28	28
Number in Arithmetic,	25	28	28
Number in Geography,	12	17	17
Number in Grammar,	14	28	28
Number in Composition,	25	28	28
Number in U. S. History,	14	11	11
Number in Algebra,	7	7	7
Number instances Tardiness,	41	73	95
Number of Dismissals,	13	0	0

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Whole Number of Scholars,	62	61	49
Average Attendance,	50	49	40
Number in Reading,	62	61	49
Number in Spelling,	62	61	49
Number in Penmanship,	56	50	45
Number in Arithmetic,	43	43	37
Number in Geography,	21	20	17
Number instances Tardiness,	18	33	23
Number of Dismissals,	10	7	14

A. B. WYATT, } Board
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